

4383. Misbranding of triple sulfa tablets, pentobarbital sodium capsules, amphetamine sulfate tablets, and a quantity of chloral hydrate. U. S. v. Herbert Thompson (Closson & Kelly Drug Store). Plea of guilty. Sentence of 1 year in jail and fine of \$2,000. (F. D. C. No. 35163. Sample Nos. 64091-L, 64096-L, 64098-L, 64101-L, 64106-L.)

INFORMATION FILED: September 8, 1953, Western District of Washington, against Herbert Thompson, trading as Closson & Kelly Drug Store, Seattle, Wash.

NATURE OF CHARGE: On or about February 19 and March 10, 13, 18, and 19, 1953, while a number of *triple sulfa tablets, pentobarbital sodium capsules, amphetamine sulfate tablets*, and a quantity of *chloral hydrate* were being held for sale at the Closson & Kelly Drug Store, after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendant caused various quantities of the drugs to be dispensed without a prescription from a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drugs. Such acts of dispensing were contrary to Section 503 (b) (1), and resulted in the dispensed drugs being misbranded while held for sale.

DISPOSITION: May 13, 1954. The defendant having entered a plea of guilty, the court imposed a sentence of 1 year in jail and a fine of \$2,000.

4384. Misbranding of methantheline bromide tablets, methamphetamine hydrochloride tablets, and tablets containing a mixture of phenobarbital, hyoscyamine sulfate, atropine sulfate, and hyoscine hydrobromide. U. S. v. Cecil Haggard (the Corner Drug Store), and Harold D. Frankel. Pleas of guilty. Fine of \$400 against Defendant Haggard and \$100 against Defendant Frankel, plus costs. (F. D. C. No. 35189. Sample Nos. 56980-L, 71052-L, 71059-L, 71062-L, 71073-L.)

INFORMATION FILED: October 21, 1953, Eastern District of Kentucky, against Cecil Haggard, trading as the Corner Drug Store, Winchester, Ky., and Harold D. Frankel, a pharmacist.

NATURE OF CHARGE: On or about April 27 and June 1, 3, and 5, 1953, while a number of *methantheline bromide tablets, methamphetamine hydrochloride tablets, and tablets containing a mixture of phenobarbital, hyoscyamine sulfate, atropine sulfate, and hyoscine hydrobromide* were being held for sale at the Corner Drug Store, after shipment in interstate commerce, various quantities of the drugs were dispensed without a prescription from a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drugs. Defendant Haggard was charged with causing the acts of dispensing involved in each of the 5 counts of the information, and Defendant Frankel was joined as a defendant in count 4. Such acts of dispensing were contrary to Section 503 (b) (1), and resulted in the dispensed drugs being misbranded while held for sale.

DISPOSITION: May 25, 1954. Defendant Haggard having entered a plea of guilty to 4 of the 5 counts of the information and Defendant Frankel having entered a plea of guilty to count 4, the court fined Defendant Haggard \$400 and Defendant Frankel \$100, plus costs.

4385. Misbranding of methylparafynol capsules, secobarbital sodium capsules, and capsules containing a mixture of secobarbital sodium and amobarbital sodium. U. S. v. John M. Minarsini (Western Drugs). Plea of nolo contendere. Fine of \$250, plus costs. (F. D. C. No. 35766. Sample Nos. 33586-L, 33602-L to 33604-L, incl., 65717-L.)

INFORMATION FILED: January 19, 1954, Northern District of Illinois, against John M. Minarsini, trading as Western Drugs, Chicago, Ill.

NATURE OF CHARGE: On or about June 2, 11, 12, 16, and 30, 1953, while a number of *methylparafynol capsules*, *secobarbital sodium capsules*, and *capsules containing a mixture of secobarbital sodium and amobarbital sodium* were being held for sale at Western Drugs, after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendant caused various quantities of the drugs to be dispensed without a prescription from a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drugs. Such acts of dispensing were contrary to the provisions of Section 503 (b) (1), and resulted in the dispensed drugs being misbranded while held for sale.

DISPOSITION: February 15, 1954. The defendant having entered a plea of *nolo contendere*, the court fined him \$250, plus costs.

DRUGS IN VIOLATION OF PRESCRIPTION LABELING REQUIREMENTS*

4386. Misbranding of whole pituitary capsules and anterior pituitary tablets.
U. S. v. 279 Bottles, etc. (F. D. C. No. 36455. Sample Nos. 52127-L, 52130-L, 52162-L, 52163-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 18, 1954, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 29, 1953, and January 19, 1954, by Armour Laboratories, from Bradley, Ill.

PRODUCT: 279 bottles of *whole pituitary capsules* and 36 bottles of *anterior pituitary tablets* at New York, N. Y.

LABEL, IN PART: (Bottle) "100 - 1 Grain (60 mg.) List 3100 Whole Pituitary Capsules Each Capsule Contains 1 Grain (60 mg.) Of Whole Calf Pituitary Powder Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription. Directions For Use Will Be Supplied To Physicians Upon Request * * * The Armour Laboratories A Division Of Armour And Company, Chicago, Illinois" and "Armour 100 - 5 Grain Anterior Pituitary Tablets Each Tablet Contains 5 Grains Anterior Pituitary * * * Caution: To be dispensed only by or on the prescription of a physician."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502 (f) (1), the labeling of the articles failed to bear adequate directions for use.

Further misbranding, Section 503 (b) (4), the articles were drugs to which Section 503 (b) (1) did not apply, and the labels of the drugs, prior to dispensing, bore a caution against dispensing the drugs without a prescription.

DISPOSITION: April 22, 1954. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

DRUGS AND DEVICES ACTIONABLE BECAUSE OF FAILURE TO BEAR ADEQUATE DIRECTIONS OR WARNING STATEMENTS**

4387. Misbranding of anterior pituitary injectable and whole ovarian injectable.
U. S. v. 44 Vials, etc. (F. D. C. No. 36442. Sample Nos. 40022-L, 40023-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 18, 1954, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 6 and November 13, 1953, by the Difco Laboratories, from Detroit, Mich.

PRODUCT: 44 vials of *anterior pituitary injectable* and 71 vials of *whole ovarian injectable* at Glendale, Calif., in possession of the Nelson Pharmacal Co.

*See also No. 4381.

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